

Draft Provider Access Policy

1. Aims

This policy statement aims to set out our school's arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students for the purpose of giving them information about their offer.

It sets out:

- Procedures in relation to requests for access
- The grounds for granting and refusing requests for access
- Details of premises or facilities to be provided to a person who is given access

2. Statutory requirements

Schools are required to ensure that there is an opportunity for a range of education and training providers to access students in years 8 to 13 for the purposes of informing them about approved technical education, qualifications or apprenticeships.

Schools must also have a policy statement that outlines the circumstances in which education and training providers will be given access to these students.

This is outlined in section 42B of the [Education Act 1997](#).

This policy shows how our school complies with these requirements.

3. Student entitlement

All students in years 8 to 13 at St. George's School are entitled to:

- Find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities, as part of our careers programme which provides information on the full range of education and training options available at each transition point
- Hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships
- Understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses

4. Management of provider access requests

4.1 Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Amy Hartley, Head of Personal Development, or her Deputy, Hannah Goatly

Email: ahartley@stgeorges.herts.sch.uk hgoatly@stgeorges.herts.sch.uk

4.2 Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into our careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students and/or their parents/carers:

Please speak to the Head of Personal Development to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

4.3 Granting and refusing access

St George's School will grant access requests that meet the following criteria:

- The provider has detailed knowledge of the nature of St George's Students
- The provider can offer appropriate pathways for the students

St Georges School will refuse any access request that:

- The school believes is not in the best interests of the students
- Does not meet the educational requirements of the students.

4.4 Safeguarding

Our safeguarding/child protection policy outlines the school's procedure for checking the identity and suitability of visitors.

Education and training providers will be expected to adhere to this policy.

4.5 Premises and facilities

Once the provider has been approved, the school will work with them to identify the best method for providing access to the students. The school will make the hall, classrooms or meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the head of personal development. Any technical aid e.g projector, sound laptops can be supplied if requested.

Relevant materials can be left for students and parents.

5. Links to other policies

Teaching and Learning policy
16-19 brochure

6. Monitoring arrangements

The school's arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students is monitored by the Deputy Head teacher overseeing Personal Development. This policy will be reviewed by the Head of Personal Development annually.